

A-10 pilot ejects safely from aircraft

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea (PACAFNS) — A U.S. Air Force pilot from Osan AB, Republic of Korea, successfully ejected from an Air Force A-10 aircraft at 2:13 p.m. Jan. 12 while on a training mission.

Col. John Lauten, 51st Fighter Wing vice commander, was treated and released from the Osan Air Base Hospital. He suffered only minor injuries.

The plane crashed about one mile east of the Osan airfield. No other injuries were reported.

A board of officers will investigate the accident. Additional details will be provided as soon as they become available.

Elmendorf troop brings dog race to Web

ELMENDORF AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska — When Tech. Sgt. Michael Perry bought his first computer, he wanted to do something useful with it.

Five years later, he and his wife, Donna, are about to revolutionize the way the world sees Alaska's grueling Iditarod sled dog race.

Perry, an avionics and attack control systems specialist with the 19th Fighter Squadron here, is putting the final touches on Iditacam.com, a Web site that will use digital video cameras and the latest technology to broadcast the Iditarod from the trail via the Internet.

"We want to cover the race as far as we can—all the way to Nome," he said.

To accomplish that, Perry will pack a laptop computer and video cameras along with his tent and sleeping bag and hit the Iditarod trail on a snowmachine.

"I'll be able to film directly from the trail—something that hasn't been done before," Perry said. "I'll connect to

broadband Internet connections along the trail and update the site, so the content should stay pretty fresh."

Perry has also placed cameras along the first day's route, from Anchorage to Eagle River and Wasilla.

The road Perry has taken to reach this point has been nearly as demanding as the Iditarod itself.

It began at last year's Iditarod, which Perry covered for another Internet site.

"I took photos at the start, then ran down to Cordova Street and took some more. Then I went to Eagle River and took some more. As I was running all over the place getting pictures, I thought to myself, 'There has to be a better way to do this.'"

Perry knew enough about the technology available to know that an idea like Iditacam.com was possible, but not enough to carry it through. So, he decided to learn how.

"I'm entirely self-taught when it

comes to the technology I'm using," Perry said. "I spend five to eight hours a night on my own time hitting the books and learning software."

A year's worth of "tinkering" and study—and a personal investment of somewhere around \$10,000—have led Perry to partnerships with USA Networks and Digital Island, a broadband Internet company that specializes in "Webcasting" major events, including the presidential debates.

But if you think the investment of time and money have paid off in the form of big bucks, think again.

"Actually, I haven't made a penny," said Perry, who retires from the Air Force in a few weeks. "But it was never really about money. I was really just trying to better myself, to lay the groundwork for a job after retirement."

So far, the effort has already paid off — Perry has one solid offer and expects more in the near future.



Photos by Senior Airman Sarayuth Pinthong, 8th CS/VI

Ouch!

(Right) Master Sgt. Manfred Glas, 8th Medical Group, gives Capt. Drew Krog, 8th Fighter Wing Legal Office, a flu shot. (Above) Capt. Robert King, 8th MDG, gives a flu shot to Airman 1st Class Breyona Potter, 35th Fighter Squadron. More than 1,200 immunizations were given at the Seabreeze from Tuesday to Thursday.



Kunsan rodeo team

The Kunsan Rodeo Team is seeking individuals interested in participating in rodeo events.

Individuals interested in helping organize events are also welcome. The current rodeo schedule is weekends through March. Events take place at Camp Humphreys.

For more information call Senior Airman Mike Parsons at 782-4214 or 782-8950, or Master Sgt. Daniel Mikus at 782-4202 or 782-9460.

Vehicle abuse

Government vehicles, to include scooters, are not authorized to be used for travel from work to dormitories, and shouldn't be parked at dormitories, per Air Force instructions.

Personnel are prohibited from taking government vehicles (GOV) to on-base dining facilities unless authorized by the 8th Fighter Wing commander. No GOVs are authorized at the Jet Stream or Loring Club unless individuals are conducting official business.

For more information or to report vehicle misuse call Staff Sgt. Andrew Morin at 782-5317 or e-mail Andrew.Morin@Kunsan.af.mil.

Finance relocation briefing

Individuals must attend a finance relocation briefing no earlier than 30 days before departing Kunsan. This is a mandatory appointment, and members must be in uniform to attend. Briefings are Wednesdays at 9 a.m. at the Seabreeze.

For more information call Senior Airman Hillary Lattin at 782-5574.

Career assistance advisor

Staying in or going? Kunsan's career assistance advisor can help with your decisions. Make your plans based on facts, not misfortune and emotion.

For more information call Master Sgt. Ken Horvath at 782-6719 or e-mail Ken.Horvath@kunsan.af.mil.

Air National Guard vacancy

Are you planning Palace Chase, Palace Front, or separating? Would you like to continue receiving most of your active duty benefits and have a great part-time job? The Montgomery Air National Guard has the following part-time vacancies: 1N0X1/Intel Applications, 2A0X1B/Av. Test Station, 2A1X1/Av Sensors Maint, 2A1X7/Elect Warfare, 2A3X2A/Av Attack Cont, 2A3X2B/Inst & Flt Cont, 2A3X2C/Com Nav-Penaid, 2A3X3B/F-16 Crew Chief, 2A6X2/Age Mech, 2A6X4/Acft Fuels Sys, 2A7X1/Acft Metal Tech, 2E1X1/Sat Wideband Com, 2E1X3/Ground Radio Maint, 2E2X1/Elec Com Switch Sys, 2E3X1/Secure Comm, 2E6X3/Tele Sys, 2R0X1/Maint Data Sys Spec, 2T3X5/Veh Body Mech, 2T3X4/Spec Pur Veh, 2W1X1/Acft Arm, 3A0X1/Info Mngt, 3C0X1/Comm-Comp Sys Opr, 3C2X1/Comm-Comp Sys Cont, 3E0X2/Elec Power Prod, 3E1X1/HVAC, 3E4X1/Util sys Spec, 3E4X2/Liquid Fuel Sys, 3E4X3/Environmental, 3E9X1/Readiness, 3P0X1/Sec Forces Spec, 3S0X1/Personnel Spec and 3S2X1-Trng Spec.

For more information e-mail Vonsetta.Roberts@almont.ANG.af.mil or call Master Sgt. Von Roberts at DSN 358-9191 or (800) 368-4481.

First sergeant award

Nominations for the U.S. Air Force First Sergeant of the Year award are due to military personnel flight career enhancements no later than Feb. 9.

For more information call Master Sgt. Angilla Chuck at 782-7214.

Recruiting Duty

The Air Force Personnel Center must

field 1,650 recruiters by December 2001. All staff thru master sergeants, and selects, with less than 16 years service could be involuntarily selected. NCOs assigned to Kunsan won't be involuntarily selected but are authorized to volunteer for recruiting duty.

For more information call MPF customer service at 782-5276.

Cable TV rates

Kunsan cable TV rates increased for the first time in more than three years Dec.1. New subscribers can sign up for one of two packages listed below. Current subscribers will see no change in fee as they have paid in advance.

Package 1 (\$26) and 2 (\$16) both include the following channels:

- Music Country, Discovery Channel, ESPN International, CNN International, Nickelodian, TNT/Cartoon Network, Channel-V, Star World and Star Sports

Package 1 also includes HBO2 and HBO Asia

Sign up for service at the cable TV office in Bldg. 1107 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information call Mr. Mun at 782-5394 or Mr. Horwege at 782-4325.

Relocation briefings

The military personnel flight conducts briefings for military members relocating to follow-on assignments on Fridays at the following times:

-2 p.m. all officers,
-3 p.m.enlisted returning to the CONUS,

-4 p.m. enlisted relocating overseas.
For more information call Staff Sgt. Quiltina Wright at 782-7016.

Wolf Pack radio

The following talk shows air on American Forces Korea Network radio local affiliate on 88.5 (FM):

-Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9 a.m., 8th Fighter

Wing first sergeants,

-Wednesdays, 9 to 10 a.m., 8th FW command chief master sergeant,

-Fridays from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m., 8th FW commander.

To call in and talk with the hosts during the shows, call 782-4373.

ROTC Assignment

Air Force ROTC offers assignment opportunities in the summer for duty as Assistant Professor of Aerospace Studies and Regional Directors of Admissions.

For more information call the military personnel flight at 782-5276.

Katharine Wright award

Nominations for the 2001 Katharine Wright Memorial Award are due to career enhancements by Jan. 26. The wing staff and each group may submit one nomination.

For more information call Master Sgt. Angilla Chuck at 782-7214.

AAFES closures

Kunsan AAFES facilities are scheduled to close for an annual physical inventory. The base exchange and military clothing sales will close Jan. 19; the base filling station will close Feb. 3 and Special Ts retail section will close Feb. 3 from 3-5 p.m. All other AAFES facilities will continue operation at normal hours.

For more information, call Airman Mina Gomez at 782-7288.

Road Closure

A section of East 10th Street, from Avenue C to the first access road to Gun Smoke Hill will be closed for maintenance from Feb. 7 through Feb. 13.

For more information, call Senior Airman Jim Ward at 782-5319.

Personal shipment status

People can check the status of their inbound or outbound personal property shipments 24-hour-a-day by calling 782-5381



U.S. Air Force Photos

Global medical power

Right: Maj. (Dr.) Peter Ehrnstrom, a dermatologist with the 3rd Medical Group, Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, examines a young orphan boy in East Timor. Ehrnstrom recently returned from a deployment with Operation Stabilise, where he provided humanitarian medical assistance to hundreds of people, including a woman with a grapefruit-sized tumor covering her eye. Above: Staff Sgt. Thomas Ragon, an independent duty medical technician with the 3rd MDG, examines a young girl during his deployment with Operation Stabilise.



Army News

New slogan, 'An Army of one,' replaces 'Be all you can be'

WASHINGTON (Army News Service) — To "Be all you can be" in the Army now means being "An Army of one."

Secretary of the Army Louis Caldera announced the new Army slogan that underscores the importance of individuals in a unified effort and unveiled a new Army logo — a white star superimposed over a yellow star — during a Department of Defense press briefing at the Pentagon Jan. 10.

"I am tremendously inspired by this new campaign and feel as if we are conveying a more accurate view of the men and women who comprise our Army," Caldera said. "It speaks to the individual strengths of each soldier and their part within the overall Army force."

The new slogan and logo will be featured in future Army advertising and recruiting efforts.

Leo Burnett USA, selected last June as the Army's lead advertising partner, has already developed a campaign featuring real soldiers rather than actors in a series of television, radio, print and Web commercials. The first television ad, titled "Dog Tags," initially airs during NBC's "Friends" sitcom Jan. 11. It will also air later on "The Simpsons," "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," and MTV.

"Leo Burnett took the time to learn about the Army and the people who are making significant contributions each and every day," Caldera said. "They understood that over time the Army had strayed from the true story of the American soldier — one of strength, intelligence and opportunity. And, they have showed a strong commitment to presenting a clear, unified picture of the Army."

"I am the Army" is the literal translation of the new message going out to the Hispanic target audience of 17- to 24-year-olds. The message is bilingual with Army being in English and the rest in Spanish. The reason for Army being English is to differentiate it from armies in Latin American countries, according to Victoria Hudson, executive vice president of Leo Burnett's Hispanic advertising partner Cartel Creativo.

The reason for a different message is because it says close to the same as "An Army of one" but accounts for Hispanic cultural differences such as the need to fit in and be embraced, said Hudson.

One of the key reasons why the Army needed to change its message was the fact that the Army has missed its recruiting goals three out of the past five years — "Be all you can be" just wasn't working, Caldera said.

Another reason is that advertising messages get old and tired with time, no matter how recognizable they are, he continued.

The first slogan for the all-volunteer Army was "Today's Army wants to join you." This was followed in 1973 by "Join the people who've joined the Army" which evolved into a short-lived "This is the Army." "Be all you can be" first appeared in 1981.

Along with senior Army leaders and key Leo Burnett staff, five of the soldiers featured in the \$150-million ad campaign attended the press briefing. They were Cpl. Richard Lovett, assigned to 27th Engineer Battalion, Fort Bragg, N.C., and shown as the lone runner in the Dog Tags commercial; Sgt. Joseph Patterson, Soldier Systems Center, Natick, Mass.; Spc. Natalie Ortiz, 32nd Medical Logistics Battalion, Fort Bragg; Spc. Carlos Perez, a reservist assigned to the 6252nd Army Hospital, Ventura, Calif.; and Sgt. Leroy Durrah, 1st Signal Battalion, Fort Campbell, Ky.

Streaming video vignettes telling about the past, present and future plans of each of the advertising campaign soldiers can be viewed at www.goarmy.com. New Army radio, television and print commercials will direct viewers to the Web site.